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## Pop-tastic as vintage DJs get together

FOUR vintage Top of the Pops television presenters are to be reunited in Stourbridge on Saturday.

Radio One original Pete Murray, Mike Read, Ed 'Stewpot' Stewart and 'Diddy' David Hamilton will be at the town's Talbot Hotel in High Street from noon to 7pm for DJ Heaven.

The event will celebrate the "art of the disc-jockey" and feature rarities and treasures from the TV archives. Junior Campbell of sixties Scottish pop rockers Marmalade will also be dropping in.

It is the brainchild of Midlands-based classic TV research organisation Kaleidoscope. There will be a chance to see rare shows including a previously missing edition of Top of the Pops from 1976.

## Business partners put revamped Regis on the market with a £900,000 price tag

A CELEBRATED music venue in Old Hill is up for sale with a £900,000 price tag.

The Regis, famed for its live music nights during the Swinging Sixties, has been put on the market by owners Tony Billingham and Carole Jenkins.

The business partners saved the building in 2008, buying it at auction from Sandwell Council for £500,000.

It was given a £250,000 refit and has since hosted dinners, business meetings, conferences, wedding receptions and live music events.

Design architect Terry Glazebrook, who has carried out luxury holiday home projects for the stars, including comedian Jasper Carrott and golfer Ian Woosnam, created a 1930 Art Deco theme throughout the building.

At the time of the official opening former chief executive of the Black Country Chamber Ian Brough said the Regis represented "the true entrepreneurial



The Regis in Cradley Heath which is now on the market for £900,000. The popular venue underwent a £250,000 Art Deco-style facelift with homes designer to the stars Terry Glazebrook

spirit of the region." Mr Brough, now director of external affairs with Richardsons Capital LLP in Oldbury, added: "The quality of the conference facil-

ities which have been created have long been much needed in the area."

Known for its glory years as the former Regis Hall it saw 60s band The Drifters and Edwin Starr take the stage. It was also a popular rock'n'roll dance hall before becoming key in keeping the Northern Soul scene buzzing in the West Midlands.

Under its new owners The Regis played host to Cockney musicians Chas 'n' Dave and international jazz trumpeter Digby Fairweather as well as local bands and performers.

Mr Billingham would not comment on the sale. The Regis is being sold by the Birmingham office of Christie + Co.

Spokesman Paul Reilly said that the sale was a great opportunity for someone looking to take on an entertainment venue. Sandwell Council used to use the building as a day centre before controversially pulling the service out of the building in January.

## School is put under special measures

A SPECIALIST secondary school in Brierley Hill has been placed under special measures after Government inspectors discovered a series of major failings.

Thorns Community College, on Stockwell Avenue, has been branded "inadequate" after the Ofsted inspection in March, writes Sarah Hazelwood. A pupil survey highlighted safety as a major issue.

Back in 2008 the school was "good" across the board but Ofsted inspectors said "performance has declined rapidly and is failing to give its students an acceptable standard of education".

Current head teacher Deane Baker has been at the school only since January this year. He was appointed almost two years after the previous head, David Mountney, left the post.

Following Mr Mountney's departure the school governing body was replaced by an interim executive board after concerns regarding financial management and failure to appoint a new principal.

Members of the board helped rectify weaknesses and Mr Baker has been working to get the school back on track. Inspectors said the school had "lost its sense of direction" but the new principal had made a good start.

Mr Baker said: "From the moment I took up my role as principal I have been working hard with the school community to ensure students at the college learn in a safe environment.

### Quality

"It is essential to all of us that students achieve their full potential by attending quality lessons being taught by excellent teachers and we have always taken great strides."

"Staff and governors at the school will clearly work hard with colleagues at the local authority to address any areas of concern. We continue to strive for excellence."

The school, which accommodates 1,315 pupils, holds specialist status for performing arts but the recent report confirmed that "performing arts no longer leads the way and their outcomes are among the worst".

Learning in one in eight lessons across the school was disrupted, an average of six pupils were said to be excluded each week and staff absences were above five per cent.

A survey went to all pupils but only 174 responses were received. The results highlighted a huge concern over pupil safety which is being treated as a matter of urgency.

Attendance, healthy living and achievement of those with special educational needs received a better review and there were examples of outstanding teaching.

An inspector will now monitor the school to ensure changes are made.

# BOROUGH BID TO BECOME A CITY

CIVIC and business leaders across the Black Country have declared their support for Dudley's bid to become a city.

Dudley, currently officially known as a metropolitan borough, hopes to achieve city status in honour of the Queen's Jubilee next year.

The announcement last week saw Dudley's bid installed in the bookies' tables with odds of success standing at 20/1. Reading is currently the favourite, with odds of 8/1 – but Dudley Council bosses said they were "confident" their bid stood a good chance.

"Our history and heritage dates back millions of years with a geological make-up which laid the foundations for us being at the heart of the industrial revolution," said newly-elected council leader Councillor Les Jones.

### Regeneration

"In addition to Dudley town centre we have Stourbridge, with its fantastic glass making heritage, the recently regenerated Halesowen and of course, Brierley Hill which is the focus of long-term regeneration plans and home to a superb retail offer in the form of Merry Hill."

"There is a great sense of pride with people who live in Dudley and I believe they deserve us to at least try and promote the area whenever we can."

Newly elected mayor of neighbouring Wolverhampton Bert Turner, added: "Another city can only be good for the Black Country."

Past president of both Black Country and Dudley Chambers of Commerce Peter Mathews said: "It's great news and we wish Les and the council luck in their bid."

## Hospital pioneer says her farewell to staff



Dr Jane Flint and husband Ken Bridgewater with staff, from left, Muhammed Shahid, Matthew Banks, Joe Martins, Peter Forsey and Craig Barr

A CONSULTANT from Pedmore who has spent more than two decades on the wards of Russells Hall Hospital, Dudley has bid a fond farewell to her colleagues and patients.

Flowers, banners and cards were presented to cardiologist Dr Jane Flint as she waved goodbye to staff to start her retirement after 23 years of service.

Dozens of workers gathered at the hospital's lecture theatre as her colleagues gave speeches paying tribute to a career pioneering change.

"It's been an emotional week really but it was lovely to be able to say goodbye and see so many patients and staff I'd met over the years," said mother-of-two Dr Flint.

"My abiding memory of the hospital will be the people. We have a wonderful team here and that is the most important thing for me."

Photographs of Dr Flint, aged 60, were posted on walls across the reception room showing her career in medicine.

She started as a medical student at Birmingham university in the 1970s before joining East Birmingham Hospital, now known as Heart of England

NHS Foundation Trust, in 1976.

After working as registrar at the General Hospital, in Steelhouse Lane, Birmingham between 1979 and 1981 she carried out research at Coventry's Walsgrave Hospital.

This was followed by four years as a senior registrar at United Birmingham Hospitals before moving to Dudley in 1988. Dr Flint, who lives in Pedmore added: "I am also proud to have had the opportunity to pioneer change across the Black Country working with the most wonderful team of fellow consultants, nurses, physiologists and radiographers."

### Travelling

She now plans to spend more time travelling with husband Ken Bridgewater, 84, and their twin sons Peter and Ben, 18.

Among well-wishers paying tribute to Dr Flint were members of Action Heart, a charity based at the hospital helping people with heart conditions.

Cardiology department colleague Dr Joe Martins said: "I think that it is a real testament to Jane that we have such a strong department here at Russells Hall and she'll be missed."

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Charity  
fashion

A STOURBRIDGE children's centre is hosting a charity fashion show in memory of a seven-month-old child who attended the centre.

Hob Green Children's Centre will hold the ladies fashion show on Friday, June 10 at 7pm in aid of the charity, Climb.

It has been organised in memory of a boy who died last year of Leigh's Disease, an inherited metabolic condition. The centre is at Hob Green Primary School, Hob Green Road, Pedmore. Details: 01384 818783.



Paul's granddaughter Pippa Coley

A FORMER crane engineer has taken his career to new heights after setting up his own photography business.

Paul Greensill was made redundant in the 2009 recession and had no job experience in anything other than electronics and engineering.

Aged 51 at the time and struggling to find alternative work, Stourbridge resident Paul decided to turn his hobby – photography – into his career.

Since then he has earned a diploma in photography, a course funded through Stourbridge Job Centre, and set up his own business; Captured Moments.

The company caters primarily for weddings, but also covers christenings, portraits and children's parties.

As the man himself admits it's been a challenge to get this far, but Paul is now a fully fledged member of the photographers' union.

"It was a bold step to change career and I found it very challenging," he said. "It's one thing enjoying a hobby and another to take it to a professional standard and the course opened up my eyes a bit."

## Married

"But there was no work out there so I had to take the bull by the horns. Even in a recession people still get married!"

With business mostly coming through word of mouth Paul, who runs his studio from home, hopes to expand his customer base.

But does he miss anything about being a crane engineer? "I suppose I miss some of the camaraderie with the lads," he said. "But I'm now in a position where I can dictate what my day holds and I've gained a lot of confidence from running my own business."

Contact Paul on 01384 810013 or 07769 171395 or visit www.capturedmoments2010.co.uk for more information on his business.



Paul Greensill behind the lens



Above, German model Sam. Left, white lions at West Midlands Safari Park



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# Illegals are arrested in raid on takeaways

## Games challenge to aid Callum



Philip McAteer and Jaden Muckley, front, with, back from left, Harris Mitchell, Darcey Blanton, Daniel McAteer, Morgan Bassett, Jessamy Clark, Kate Bishop

PUPILS at a Stourbridge school held an "endurance test" of playing games – and netted more than £4,000 to help a former pupil who is now paralysed.

They are now handing over the money to the Cal4U charity, which was formed to provide equipment to make life easier for

TWO suspected illegal immigrants have been arrested from takeaways in Stourbridge following a series of raids by police, officers have revealed.

Five restaurants and takeaways were targeted in Lye after the UK Border Agency claimed it had uncovered evidence of illegal workers in the area.

One of the men is now back in France, the country in which he is believed to have been living before coming to the UK, after being arrested from the Nisa takeaway shop in Lye High Street.

The other man, arrested from the Piri Piri takeaway nearby, is awaiting deportation.

The raids were carried out as part of Operation Next Steps, which is targeting 10 crime hotspot areas across the Dudley borough, including the centre of Lye.

### Permit

Pe James Bird, from the Lye Next Steps team, said neither of the men had been able to provide a working visa or permit to live and work in the UK.

Since the start of April, dedicated policing teams have been introduced to parts of Dudley, Halesowen, Brierley Hill and Stourbridge as part of the operation.

Inspector Richard Jones, who is leading the operation, said the hotspots had been identified following an intensive analysis of burglary, robbery, theft, criminal damage and anti-social behaviour figures across the borough.

Dudley borough's top ten crime hotspots are: Dudley town centre; Kate's Hill; The Buffery; Blowers Green; Brierley Hill town centre; Brockmoor; Mill Street, Brierley Hill; Halesowen town centre; Short Cross, Halesowen; Lye High Street.

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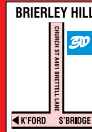
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# New line-up for council top jobs

£30,000 bill from savings experts

## Truck blaze captured



Flames envelop the truck on the roadside at the junction of Swindon Road and Highwood Close, near Kingswinford. Taken by Express& Star reader Mick Basterfield



Charred shell – the burnt-out truck

THESE dramatic photographs capture the damage caused to a truck by a ferocious blaze in Dudley.

Residents describe hearing a loud bang as the vehicle, thought to be a Toyota Hilux, burst into flames in the early hours of Wednesday, May 25.

The truck had been parked just off the roadway at the junction of Swindon Road and Highwood Close, near Kingswinford. People living nearby called for firefighters to tackle the blaze which started at around 3am near

The Summerhill pub. Firefighters were at the scene for around 30 minutes. Residents awoke to see the empty shell of the truck still at the roadside.

Mick Basterfield, who lives close to the scene, was one of the first people to see the blaze and called in emergency services.

"We awoke to the loud bang and as we looked out of the window we could see the fire," he said.

"The truck was well alight. There is quite a lot of damage to the truck."

A RESHUFFLE of Dudley Council's cabinet has been announced by the authority's new leader.

Councillor Les Jones named the new line-up at a meeting last week.

Ex-council leader Anne Millward was ousted by two votes in local elections this month.

The new 10-member executive panel will meet monthly over the next year.

Councillor David Vickers, who represents Halesowen South, has taken the portfolio of performance management and quality assurance – previously held by Councillor Adrian Turner.

Councillor Vickers was cabinet member for education until five years ago.

Councillor Turner is now responsible for housing, libraries and adult learning – replacing David Simms who lost his seat in elections. New deputy leader Councillor Tim Wright, is former chairman of the planning committee.

He is now cabinet member for human resources, law and governance – a portfolio created this year.

### Approved

Councillor Jones passed on his regeneration portfolio to Councillor Angus Adams, formerly responsible for transportation.

That role is now taken by Councillor Patrick Harley.

The new cabinet line-up was approved at the annual meeting of Dudley Council last night, where the new mayor was appointed, and Councillor Jones officially stepped into his new role as leader.

Councillor Jones, who was born in the Black Country, twice stood as Tory parliamentary candidate for Halesowen and Rowley Regis in 2001 and 2005.

He said: "There have been a few changes made so people will see some difference but I believe this is a cabinet that can serve the people of Dudley in the best way possible."

Councillors David Blood, who looks after finance, David Stanley who covers environment and culture and Lesley Faulkner who represents adult and community services, all kept the same roles for the coming year.

Councillor Liz Walker, who holds the children's services portfolio also remains in post.

A MIDLAND council paid independent consultants £30,000 to look at ways to save money, it has been revealed.

Experts were brought in by Sandwell Council to look at ways it could cut costs at four centres which offer adventure holidays to youngsters.

Sandwell Council runs Ingestre Hall, a Jacobean mansion set in 27 acres of countryside near Stafford, Edmond Hall in Shropshire, the Frank Chapman Centre in the Wyre Forest and Plas Gwynant in Snowdonia National Park.

### Knowledge

It said it was necessary to streamline the service by making cuts and defended the decision to bring in independent consultants, claiming its own staff did not have the specialist knowledge needed.

Councillor Bob Badham, cabinet member for children and families, said: "The council utilises consultants to provide skills which it does not employ in house and this piece of work required detailed specialist knowledge of youth services, residential centres and council finance."

A decision was made to cut wages of seven workers, increase fees and cut subsidies. The workers' salaries will be cut by a total of £63,500, with charges to state schools to increase from £120 to £132 a week.

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# Mayor's pledge to help business



The new Mayor of Dudley, Councillor Michael Evans, relaxes at home with wife Glenys

THE new mayor of Dudley has vowed to look to the future while being inspired by the past.

One of Councillor Michael Evans's main aims is to support local businesses – by working alongside the authority's new leader Les Jones.

But during his year in office he will also be thinking of his late niece Jenny, who died of leukaemia aged 20. Her death in 1989 shocked her family but has led Councillor Evans to support leukaemia charities ever since. And now he has the opportunity to help even more.

He hopes events during his mayoral year will raise thousands of pounds for the Georgina Unit at Dudley's Russells Hall Hospital – where Jenny was treated.

He said: "The treatment she received at Russells Hall was fantastic but that was at a time where there wasn't the level of technology available that they have now."

She had to go to the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Birmingham to have a bone marrow transplant. But the unit is fantastic now and the work they do is brilliant."

## Downturn

Councillor Evans, a Conservative who represents Sedgley ward, served as deputy mayor last year.

He was named as this year's mayor in a ceremony at Dudley's Council House, taking over from Councillor Peter Miller.

The father-of-two, of Dumbleberry Avenue, Sedgley, wants to work closely with local businesses to see how they can be helped in the current economic downturn.

He said: "I aim to visit and talk to as many local businesses as possible and sit down with the new leader to see how we can help them and look at their concerns."

"It's going to be a very busy year but I'm very much looking forward to it."

The 71-year-old has served as a councillor for 11 years and has been cabinet member for both housing and children's services.

The other good cause he will support this year is the Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Families Association, which helps ex-servicemen and women who have been injured in conflict. Councillor Evans and his wife of 46 years, Glenys, have two sons aged 40 and 44, and two grandsons, Taylor, aged four, and Parker, eight.

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# Secrets of eye-in-sky £4m police copter are revealed



The cockpit of the latest Police helicopter

THE team behind West Midlands Police's £4.5 million helicopter have been lifting the lid on its operations.

The new aircraft, which came into service in August last year, has already attended almost 4,000 call-outs.

And the unit that runs it has now launched its own feed on social network site Twitter in a bid to give followers up to the minute updates on the helicopter's work and see the policing operations it is

involved with. The page already has more than 1,000 followers and has received positive feedback from the general public.

## Advanced

The helicopter, which reaches speeds of 160mph uses specialist thermal imaging technology to conduct searches, which are so accurate it can detect devices as small as mobile telephones.

Since its operation it has already helped

in the recovery of £1m worth of property. Assistant Chief Constable Garry Forsyth said it allows the staff of a civilian pilot and two officers to conduct searches of areas in minutes.

Head of operations Sgt Dave Mitchell said: "This is one of the most advanced aircraft in the world. The things it can do are quite incredible. We can find a mobile phone which someone has dropped on the ground from way up in the sky."

One of the helicopter's crew is 38-year-old Pc Matt Holder, from Tamworth. He said: "It's just like being in a patrol car. You just have a better view."

Since August the helicopter has attended 3,923 incidents in 1,592 flights.

It has been responsible for 218 direct arrests and has assisted in 161 arrests and located 22 missing people and 62 vehicles.

Recent activity highlighted on the Twitter site included details of a laser pen pointed at the aircraft as it responded to a report of a stolen vehicle at 3am on Wednesday.

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To view the Twitter feed log on to [www.twitter.com/WMP\\_HeliCopter](http://www.twitter.com/WMP_HeliCopter)



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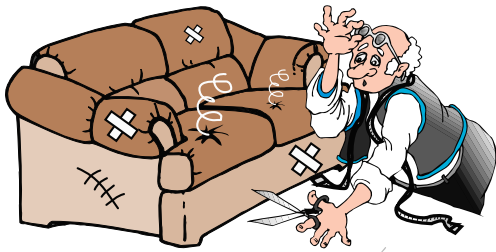
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## Fun event helping rising stars to shine

FRIENDS and families came together to step out for a charity fun run aimed at helping the next generation of sporting and musical stars.

Around 130 people turned out at the starting line for the Halesowen Foundation fun run around the town's Leasowes Park.

The foundation, which is a registered charity, supports learners in Halesowen who have demonstrated talents and abilities specifically in sport and music.

Organisers of the event said they were keen to promote the foundation's work to encourage more youngsters to contact them for advice and support.

Those taking part could try a 2.5k run or, if they were feeling brave, there was also a five kilometre course

to tackle around the park for the event on Saturday morning.

One of the event organisers Mary Grinham said they had been pleased with the number of people taking part.

"It was a really good morning and nice to see people giving it a go and helping the foundation at the same time," she said.

### Competitions

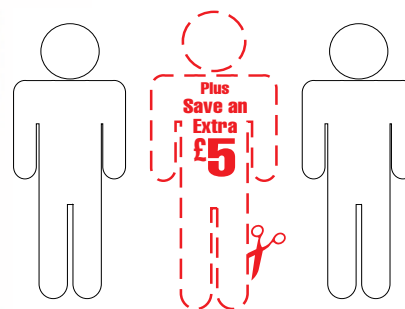
"The event had been organised as a fundraiser for the foundation but also to show people what we do and tells them ways we can help those who have shown a real talent for sports and music."

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## Warning on digi TV aerial scams

DUDLEY families are being warned to be on their guard against rogue traders who might try to cash in on the switchover to digital TV.

Most of Dudley will be switching from analogue TV in September.

This is when the Sutton Coldfield and Bromsgrove transmitters go digital.

But the council wants Dudley's 124,000 householders to beware of scammers carried out against viewers in other areas.

Residents with Freeview, cable or satellite TV need take no action.

But anyone still using the analogue signal will need to use a digital set top box from September to enable their TV to receive a signal.

### Victim

Anyone advised to purchase a digital aerial should beware as council chiefs say that there is no such thing.

Most existing aerials are adequate to receive the digital signal.

Fewer than 10 per cent of viewers will need to upgrade to a better quality aerial.

Councillor David Stanley, cabinet member for environment and culture, said: "We want to ensure that all borough residents are safe from bogus callers and unscrupulous dealers who want to cash in on the digital switchover."

If anyone is concerned that they have been the victim of a trader's scam call 08454 040506.

# £60,000 benefit cheat spared prison sentence

A FATHER of three from Halesowen who pocketed up to £60,000 in a benefits scam after a gardening accident sent his life downhill has been spared an immediate jail term.

Robert Young, aged 54, from Howley Grange Road, turned to drink when the accident in which he lost fingers on his left hand cost him his job, Wolverhampton Crown Court heard.

He also claimed income support without disclosing that his wife Nicola was working, said prosecutor Miss Laura Hobson.

Young got away with the con for 10 years, collecting at least £45,332 in overpaid benefits before it was uncovered, although the actual figure was close to £60,000, the court heard. His marriage has now hit the rocks and he is in danger of losing his home while fighting cancer, it was alleged. Young started claiming income support in July 1997 for his wife and himself on the grounds that he was unable to work through ill health and had no other source of earnings.

## Scrap dealer fined on records

A TIPTON scrap dealer has been handed a £500 fine with £85 costs and a £15 surcharge. Anthony Marvin, of Beakes Metals in Great Bridge, admitted failing to keep a proper record book between April 6 and May 3 this year.

Warley magistrates heard that Marvin, aged 59, of Vicarage Road, Oldbury, was responsible for the records. Mr Shabeer Qureshi, defending, said nothing untoward was found in his client's stock.

## Anglers did not have rod licence

TWO anglers caught fishing without a proper licence have both been fined £50.

Anthony Gough, aged 33, was caught fishing with a rod and line at the Sheepwash Nature Reserve, in Tipton.

He was asked by a water bailiff on October 2 last year for his rod licence and admitted he did not have one. Gough, of Bradbury Lane, Hednesford, pleaded guilty by post to a charge of fishing otherwise than in accordance with a licence.

He was fined £50 and ordered to pay £50 legal

costs and a £15 victim surcharge by Dudley Magistrates' Court last week.

And in an unrelated case, Lee Shenhstone, 21, of Wynn Griffith Drive, Tipton, was also caught fishing without a rod licence at the Birmingham Canal, Tipton, on the same day. He also pleaded guilty by post and received the same sentence.

Mr Rafe Turner, prosecuting on behalf of the Environment Agency, said a valid rod licence was needed by people aged 12 and over to fish for salmon, trout, freshwater fish or eels.

He failed to notify officials when she got a job with a market research firm six months later and was soon earning too much money for them to continue receiving the same level of state handouts, said Miss Hobson.

When the con was discovered after a tip-off, Young told investigators: "I did what I thought was best for my family."

### Liability

His wife now wanted a divorce, said Mr James Dunston, defending. He added: "He faces the loss of his home through proceeds of crime proceedings and now has to tell his three daughters what has happened."

Young admitted making false statements and evading liability by deception.

The court was told he was suffering from prostate cancer. Judge Amjad Nawaz gave him a 32-week jail term suspended for 18 months on the condition that he has treatment for alcohol abuse.

## Arty lass a real touch of glass



Coseley glass artist Sarah Jones with a picture by craftswoman Jane Ellis

ARTISTS do like to be beside the seaside – as a new exhibition at Kingswinford's Broadfield House Glass Museum shows.

The coastal-themed display features a wide variety of contemporary craftwork, including glass, ceramics, jewellery and textiles.

Leading craftsmen and women from all over the country have entered work for the exhibition at the museum in Compton Drive, which runs until September 4.

"The exhibits include pieces by leading glassmakers, such as Graham Muir, whose wave forms defy gravity," said Kari Moody, glass interpretation officer for Broadfield House.

Rising star Lauren Taylor's silver-encrusted glass jewellery and vessels "teeming with engraved sealife" by Ruth Dresman also feature in the show.

Seascape themes on porcelain by Jill Ford, engraved wave brooches by Ruth Ball and coastal prints by Paul Hipkiss are also among the items on offer.

## Addict admits stealing goods

A DRUG addict has pleaded guilty to stealing men's fragrances, a TV and toolboxes from shops.

Shaun McGarrick, aged 26, of Bredon Road, Stourbridge, admitted three counts of theft when he appeared before Dudley Magistrates' Court last week.

The court heard he had been caught on CCTV concealing a box and a bottle of men's fragrances under his jacket at the Boots store in the Merry Hill Shopping Centre, Brierley Hill, on May 13.

He was held by security until police arrived and was then arrested and interviewed.

### Televisions

Magistrates were also told he had been seen going into Sainsbury's in Amblecote, and looking at a display of plasma televisions on May 16.

He then took one, offering no payment, and drove off with it in the back of his car.

McGarrick was arrested by police and told them he had sold the television for £120 to buy drugs.

The court was told he had also taken toolboxes worth £338 from the Clas Ohlson store in the Merry Hill Shopping Centre on May 8.

Mr Lee Preston, defending, said his client was trying to kick his drug habit.

The case was adjourned to June 6 for a pre-sentence report on McGarrick.

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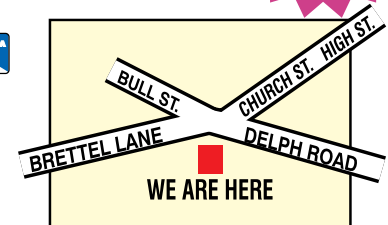
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## Pupils walk the corridors of power



Chris Kelly, centre back, with staff Jo Rogers, Lucy Collins, Laura Cartwright, Maria Phipps, Lee-Anne Knowles and pupils

Youngsters from a school in Kingswinford have been walking the corridors of power during a trip to the Houses of Parliament.

Bromley Hills Primary School, in Granville Drive, has recently set up a students' council and its members went to London on Friday, May 20, to get a taste of Parliamentary life.

Highlights of the trip included a spin on

the London Eye, paying a visit to the Palace of Westminster, as well as meeting their local MP, Chris Kelly, who prolonged his stay in London especially for the pupils.

### Questions

Deputy head Jo Rogers said: "The children were able to ask lots of questions and find out what it's like to be a Member of Parliament."

"It gave the children a real taste of where their role could one day lead them."

Mr Kelly said, "It was great to see 24 kids with so much excitement in their eyes having just been on the London Eye and into the Chamber of the House of Lords and the House of Commons."

"I was able to give the children my take on life as a new MP and answer their questions."

## Folk star Lakeman to top bill for Arleyfest

A ROCK festival will be held in the picturesque Worcestershire countryside to help towards a £250,000 rebuild of a crumbling village hall.

Arleyfest 2011 – the second annual three-day festival to be held in the small village near Kidderminster – will take place in the community sports field off Arley Lane on June 10, 11 and 12.

Popular folk star Seth Lakeman and Wolverhampton singer-songwriter Scott Matthews will headline the festival, along with three-piece band Cantaloop starring Frank from Fun Lovin' Criminals. Festival organiser Jayne McCann said everyone involved was "very excited" about the event.

"It is shaping up to be a brilliant couple of days – we have some really big names signed up which is fantastic," she said.

Cash raised will go towards rebuilding the village hall, which needs extensive repairs and to be made larger to accommodate the increase in student

numbers at the nearby Upper Arley C of E First School, which also uses it.

"Ten years ago, the school had 34 pupils – now it has around 100," added Miss McCann.

"It is in a dire state so hopefully the money raised from the festival can help towards giving the village a much-improved hall that's suitable for what it is used for."

Lead Zeppelin front man Robert Plant, who lives near Kidderminster, has donated a signed guitar in aid of the Arleyfest charities.

Expensive jewellery and a laptop were also taken by thieves who targeted the address in Halesowen Road.

The George Cross had been awarded to the victim's grandfather in the Second World War and the MBE was awarded to his father.

Detectives are now appealing for witnesses or anyone with information to come forward.

The burglary happened on May 18 between 9.40am and 4.15pm.

### Window

The thieves got to the house through an overgrown wooded area at the back of the home and then got in through a kitchen window.

Various items of jewellery, including a Tag Heuer watch and three rings, a Toshiba laptop and cash were stolen along with the MBE and George Cross.

De Martin Peart from Smethwick police station said: "We are keen to hear from anyone who may have been offered any medals for sale."

Anyone who witnessed anything or has information should contact police on 0345 113 5000 or call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.



Scott Matthews with pupils from Upper Arley C of E First School, soul artist Jen Robins and band members from Shaking Trees and Naked Remedy

## Plan in pipeline for a bigger car park

DETAILED plans for a £4 million development to more than double the size of a park and ride scheme at Rowley Regis railway station will be drawn up within month, says passenger transport authority Centro.

The project to create 480 new spaces is being revisited after being put on ice in last financial year due to lack of funding but Centro says it is a "priority" and has bought land off Station Road.

Steve Swingle, of Centro, said: "We should start drawing plans up in August and that is when we will establish what each part involved will cost."

Work at the station was due to start this financial year but was hit by cuts. Alongside those plans was a £12 million extension of the Wednesbury Parkway Midland Metro stop, which would add 128 spaces on top of the 142 already in place. Passengers had also

hoped for more parking at Tame Bridge Parkway railway station. All three car parks are regularly full, with passengers forced to park on the pavement. Bosses have said proposals for Wednesbury Parkway or Tame Bridge Parkway were "under evaluation".

Negotiations to buy land surrounding Wednesbury Parkway, Leabrook Road, are still under way.

### Private

Centro bosses are also considering long-term options to expand the park and ride at Cradley Heath railway station in light of a private development opposite.

The former site of steel factory AS Rolling Mills was due to be turned into 40 apartments but until the economic climate picks up, Hagley-based Selbourne Homes has been given planning permission to turn the site into a 136-space parking spot for commuters.



# Council is spending £50,000 on new cars

CASH-strapped Sandwell Council is forking out more than £50,000 on new cars despite slashing budgets and hundreds of jobs.

Seven brand new Nissan Note cars have been added to a pool of vehicles for staff, each costing £7,500.

Bosses have defended the move, saying it will save money in the long run as it will avoid having to pay staff mileage costs. But critics said the purchase was unnecessary and an "insult" to staff at a time the authority is axing 520 jobs.

The latest spend on vehicles comes after the authority said it planned to pay £500,000 for a fleet of electric cars and charging points, although these plans are currently on hold.

## Mileage

It follows a decision to cut mileage claims for staff from 65p to 45p in a bid to save £1 million a year, a decision which caused uproar among workers, with some threatening to walk out.

Councillor Mahboob Hussain said by increasing its car pool, currently 43 vehicles, it will save money and prevent wear and tear on workers' cars.

Brian Rickers, spokesman for union Unite said: "The council says that buying more pool cars will save money but I don't see how. It isn't just the initial cost, but tax, insurance and fuel. Spending this money is another insult to staff at this difficult time."

The council faces £31m of cuts in 2011/12.

## Kick start for training

A £1.8 MILLION Black Country training programme to help get hundreds of unemployed young people into work has been announced.

The two-year programme called Kick Start Gold will target 1,000 14 to 19-year-olds currently not in education, employment or training.

The Black Country Training Group, at Taylors Lane, Oldbury, has secured £1.8 million from the Skills Funding Agency. Chris Luty, director, said: "The aim is that it gives young people a kick start back into learning which will then lead to a place at college, an apprenticeship or employment."



Mark Hannon, works manager from Midtherm Laser Ltd at Peartree Lane, Dudley, with some of the metal artwork they have made for the project

## Metal signs for the cut trail

SCULPTURES to be displayed alongside the canals in the Black Country as part of £40,000 history trail are being cut from steel.

Intricate designs by Cradley Heath artist and sculptor Luke Perry are being brought to life at Midtherm Laser Ltd in Dudley.

The sculptures are among 35 that will be displayed along the Dudley Canal. The trail will stretch from Blowers Green Bridge on Pear Tree Lane in Dudley along the canal through Bumble Hole Nature Reserve on the Sandwell border to the Gorsty Hill Tunnel in Old Hill.

Luke, aged 27, has designed all the artworks, which include highly decorative signs and Midtherm Laser Ltd are cutting the shapes from the metal.

The trail, which has been funded by Community Spaces, is set to open on July 31.

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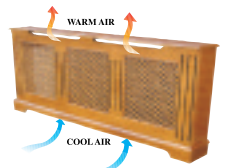
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# £60m tourism scheme to boost the economy

## Glimpse of future at the safari park



An image of the £18 million glass covered water park with two slides at West Midland Safari Park

A £60MILLION tourism concept set to boost Kidderminster's economy is already making way for plans which could create more than 340 jobs across Worcestershire.

As part of the ReWyre Initiative civic and business leaders have been reviewing proposals to promote the town as a base for tourists.

The project at the forefront of the initiative involves the area's two biggest attractions – the West Midland Safari and Leisure Park and Severn Valley Railway, which between them bring more than 750,000 visitors to the area.

### Unique

Proposals include the creation of a 1,000-delegate conference centre with hotel, water park and direct link to the SVR. Ivan Knezovich, managing director of West Midland Safari Park, said: "We are at the very early developmental stages of planning but are actively considering proposals. We want to do something truly unique. We think we have hit on the right idea."

Nick Ralls, SVR general manager, said: "We are interested in working with the Safari Park to examine the potential."

Wyre Forest District Council and Destination Worcestershire teamed up with Hereford and Worcestershire Chamber of Commerce to map out the wider economic benefits of the proposal.

Mark Moore, chairman of ReWyre, said: "The town has a lot to offer and as soon as we heard this proposition we thought it worth investigating further."

THIS is a glimpse of how an £18 million water park scheme could look under plans proposed at West Midland Safari Park.

Artists' impressions for the ambitious scheme at the attraction, near Bewdley, have been produced by Croydon-based Ray Hole Architects.

The impressive images show a glass covered water park with two slides flowing into a large leisure pool surrounded by tropical trees.

There is also a hotel room, inspired by authentic African lodges, with a lounge opening out onto a view of the park and the Wyre Forest countryside.

The firm says the hotel

complex would have "unrivalled views across the undulating landscape of the safari park" and help park bosses to offer more indoor attractions for year round visitors.

Ray Hole Architects designed the unique Snowdon Summit Centre in north Wales, which opened two years ago.

### Outdated

The firm was also one of six bidding for the contract to rebuild Grand Pier at Western Super Mare, following the devastating fire in 2008.

Park publicity officer Wendy Jackson said work on the 150-bed hotel and water park plans

was still at an early stage. Wyre Forest District Council's cabinet member for regeneration, Councillor Stephen Clee said the project would help boost tourism in the area by making it more attractive to visitors. The park opened in 1973 and covers 200 acres, including the 100-acre drive through safari. It attracts more than 600,000 visitors every year.

New exhibits have been opened in recent months including a replica £300,000 African village. Around £80,000 is being invested in an African-themed coffee bar, children's play area and picnic tent, replacing the outdated Cine-dome.

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### Staffing on benefits advice is slashed

STAFFING levels at Dudley's dedicated one-stop benefits advice service have been slashed as the first of £200,000 of cuts to the service were unveiled.

Opening hours at The Benefits Shop, which is based in Priory Street, were reduced from May 31 as a review of the service gets under way.

The shop itself is expected to close in October.

Its services will be merged with other advice centres such as the Citizens Advice Bureau or Dudley Council Plus. The shop previously employed 12 members of staff, 10 of whom were full-time.

#### Telephone

But they have now been cut down to just seven as the shop will only be open on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9.30am to noon, and on Tuesdays from 2pm to 4pm.

Dudley Council spokeswoman Katherine Finney said all seven would be added to the redeployment list once the review had been completed.

Meanwhile, the shop's telephone advice service will also be reduced, manned only between 9.30am and noon from Mondays to Wednesdays, instead of every day, and from 2pm to 4pm on Thursdays.

Face-to-face appointments will be available only on Tuesday afternoons, Thursdays, and Friday mornings.

### Developer keen for new opportunities

THE STOURBRIDGE developer appointed to erect a £15million Hilton hotel at Wolverhampton city centre is appealing for other opportunities.

Cordwell Property Group is involved in plans to demolish the Fox Hotel, off the busy Penn Road island, and build a 133-bedroom, seven-storey Hilton. The plan has stalled, although talks are continuing, and Cordwell wants new projects.

### Booked up to help good cause



Relaxing with a book is volunteer Helen Hobbs with manager Hilary Bullock

A NEW book shop catering for readers of all ages has opened its doors at a flagship store for a Stourbridge-based charity.

Mary Stevens Hospice is behind the new venture which aims to help plug vital gaps in funding caused by the financial downturn. The book store, which opened last week, has been funded thanks to a £10,000 donation by long-term supporter and Briarley Hill businessman Mike Brown.

It is based in the empty first floor of the store in Stourbridge High Street which has also been earmarked for a coffee shop, set to open later this year.

Book shop manager Hilary Bullock said the shop had been inundated with donations of books including fiction and non-fiction to fill the shelves.

"People have been very generous," she said.

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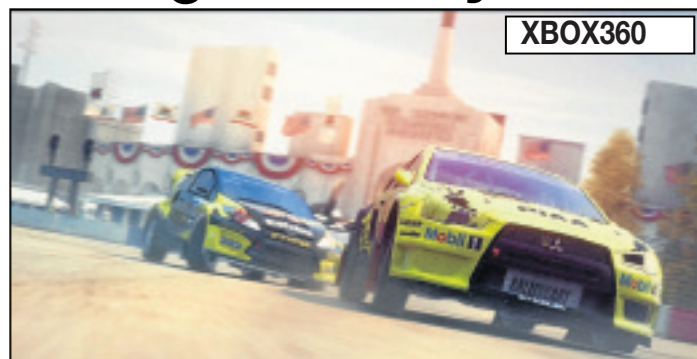
The career mode is seriously addictive, casting you as a rookie driver going through a season's worth of races in various beautifully realised locations, including the forests of Finland, Battersea in London, snowy Aspen in the Rocky Mountains and the African plains.

The locations are matched by different race formats, ranging from head-to-head challenges to time trials, drift showcases, freestyle gymkhana and pedal-to-the-metal races. This and the variety of cars to choose from ensure the challenges never get boring. Great soundtrack too.

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There is some fighting but, as before, it is mostly about solving puzzles and making stuff out of Lego bricks. You can swap between characters too.

### Star Raiders

SPACE combat was once a mainstay of the games industry, going right back to the arcade roots. But apart from the occasional spacefaring shooting element within a game which has its focus elsewhere, or ageing Star Wars title, the sub-genre has almost vanished. Star Raiders will not bring it back. This Xbox Live Arcade offering based on an old Atari title is too slow, repetitive and boring, despite nice graphics. Floating around, getting glancing blows from huge spacecrafts doesn't cut it any more.

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# Taxpayers are footing a huge bill for keeping order at big matches



Scenes from policing the latest derby when Wolves hosted Albion, police vans at the ready on Railway Drive, police in riot gear near the city's rail station, and police escort Albion fans to the Metro stop

## The high price of policing football

TAXPAYERS in the West Midlands are being billed hundreds of thousands of pounds each season for the policing of Premier League football matches.

Data obtained from West Midlands Police under Freedom of Information laws shows that the force estimated it cost £1.14 million to police the home fixtures of Aston Villa and West Bromwich Albion during the 2008/09 season.

However, it was only reimbursed £875,655, made up of £567,132 from Villa and £308,523 from Albion – the region's only two top flight clubs at the time – leaving a shortfall of £266,111.

Clubs only have to pay back the "foot-print" policing costs incurred inside their ground and on their property.

The rest – "consequential" costs – such as the policing of railway stations, city centres and pubs near grounds

where fans may gather on match day comes from police budgets.

Figures obtained for last season – 2009/10 – show West Midlands Police recovered £1.23 million for policing the home games of Wolves, Aston Villa and Birmingham City. Albion were not in the Premier League that season.

### Increase

This is an increase of 40 per cent on the previous season because of an extra West Midlands club in the top flight.

If the policing costs outside the football clubs' premises went up by the same ratio, the taxpayer bill would be an estimated £372,555.

West Midlands MP Aidan Burley says it is time Premier League clubs paid the policing bill in full.

"Ordinary hard working taxpayers must be asking themselves why they are subsidising Premiership football

clubs, who can afford to pay their players millions of pounds a year in salaries," he says. "These so called 'consequential costs' are simply business costs incurred by the clubs whilst making vast profits. Why should we continue to subsidise this multi-billion pound global industry?"

"Given these tough economic times, it's time the Premiership stood on its own two feet – and covered all the costs of policing their industry," he adds.

It follows January's record-breaking bout of spending by clubs which totalled £225m – during a period of belt-tightening across the rest of Britain.

West Midlands Police is being forced to make savings of £125m, Staffordshire Police £39m and West Mercia Police £10m as Government funding for the police service is cut by 20 per cent in real terms by 2014-15.

Police charge football clubs £56.39 per hour for the deployment of a police constable, £65.62 per hour for every ser-

WEST MIDLANDS FOOTBALL – WHERE THE MONEY GOES					
CLUB	ESTIMATE OF MATCH DAY POLICING COSTS 2008/09	COSTS RECOVERED	SHORTFALL	Match day policing costs recovered by West Midlands Police for the 2009/10 season	
Aston Villa	£579,875	£567,132	£12,743	Aston Villa	£509,913
Birmingham	£565,828	£360,738	£205,090	Birmingham City	£368,217
Wolves	£575,139	£324,111	£251,028	Wolves	£348,415
West Brom	£561,894	£308,523	£253,371	West Brom	£231,557
Walsall	£122,524	£42,886	£79,658	Walsall	£41,002
Coventry City	£441,313	£247,585	£193,728	Coventry City	£151,926

geant and £66.47 for every inspector.

Games are usually policed by a number of police support units (PSU) comprising 21 police constables, three sergeants and one inspector, making the total cost of a PSU £8,684 for an average six hour match-day shift. Each fixture is categorised depending on crowd size, the time of day a game is being played and fans' behaviour records.

### Risk

This ranges from club steward (CS) only which requires no policing to low risk (category A); medium risk (category B); high risk (category C) and finally category C with increased risk

– usually derbies and clubs where there is a history of crowd trouble.

A maximum of two PSUs on average are deployed to low risk matches, three to medium risk games, four to those considered high risk and four or more to those with an increased risk.

The categories and number of officers/hours are agreed with individual clubs at the start of the season.

West Midlands clubs spent more than £1.6 million on policing at matches last season. Aston Villa spent £509,913; Birmingham City, £368,217; Wolves, £348,415; Albion, £231,557 and Walsall, £41,002.

In 2008/09, the total was £1.8

million, Villa spending £567,132; Birmingham, £360,738; Wolves, £324,111; Albion, £308,523; Walsall, £42,886. The costliest matches in the 2009/10 season were the local derbies between Wolves, Villa and Birmingham and when Molineux and St Andrew's played host to Manchester United, and City played Stoke.

Inspector Howard Lewis-Jones, from West Midlands Police force's football unit, says: "We are keen to make sure that we don't over-police fixtures. We need to get it right to manage the risk and not just throw resources at it because obviously we are taking resources away from other policing."

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## Titanic theme at show

ADULT learners from across Dudley are getting ready for an annual arts showcase event later this year.

Arts Factor 2011 will take place at Leasowes Community College in Halesowen on July 1 and will have the theme, the Titanic.

Among those taking part is Pulse, a group of people with learning disabilities who meet at Sedgley Community Centre. The group has produced a video of their dance performance that

will be shown at the event. Other performers include belly dancers from Thorns Community College and the Dormston Centre and an African drumming group from Learning for Life at Wordsley School.

Another group of adult learners from the Fens Pool sewing class are making Edwardian costumes which they will be wearing at the event. For details contact Adult and Community Learning on 01384 818143.

# Priory showhome is nearing completion

## On song to help cancer cause

A COLLECTION of songs inspired by the Black Country has been put together to raise money for a Dudley cancer charity.

The CD, called the Black Country and Me, features around 15 performers who donated their time for free.

It will be sold in aid of Dudley Cancer Support, based at The White House in Ednam Road, Dudley.

The charity CD, which has 18 songs, will be launched at an event at the Copthorne Hotel in Brierley Hill on Friday (June 3). Performers will take to the stage to play their tunes at the Black Country Acoustic Night.

### Information

All of the production costs of the CD have been covered by sponsorship so all the cash from sales can go to the charity.

Cancer Support manager Chris Baron said: "I am totally overwhelmed by the generosity of all the people involved in producing this CD."

"Every penny raised from the sales of the CD and the tickets for the launch night will come to Cancer Support, which will enable us to continue to provide emotional support, practical help and information to cancer patients, their families and friends in the Dudley borough." Tickets for the acoustic night cost £5. For details call 01384 231232.



Dudley Cancer Support volunteer John Landford, manager Chris Baron, and Phil Horton from Triple Echoes with guitar at the ready and the charity CD

THE first showhome at a £37 million housing development being built on the site of Dudley's former north Priory estate will open soon. Keepmoat Homes is building 37 of the first 100 properties to go up on the site.

It was revealed last week that the finishing touches were now being put on the showhome.

Work on the £11m first phase of the 314-home project started last year after a £5.5m grant from the Homes and Community Agency. Another developer, Bromford, is building 63 affordable homes, 56 of them for rent and seven for first-time buyers on lower incomes.

Dudley Council spokeswoman Vikki Marshall said the developers were finalising details and the showhome would be open within days.

"We are hoping to get confirmation of when that date is very soon," she added.

### Inspired

It has been confirmed that street names around the estate - renamed as Friars Gate - will be inspired by the Priory of St James's which was founded in the area in the middle of the 12th century.

Street names include Bradford Way, after the Church of Bradford which was bestowed to the priory, Webley Grove after John Webley who was the Prior of Dudley between 1535 and 1539 and Shrewsbury Place, after the Prior in 1539-40, Thomas Shrewsbury.

Hackett Drive is in honour of the Chapel of Cofton Hackett which was given to the priory. Six properties will be ready for sale in late spring. The first rented properties will be available by summer. All properties in the first phase will be completed by summer.

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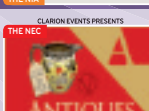
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## Struggle to reduce drink link illnesses

HEALTH bosses in Dudley have revealed they are facing an uphill battle to slash the borough's rising toll of booze-related admissions to hospital.

And they are now going out to talk to supermarkets and other retailers in "hot spot" areas of the borough on how they can cut alcohol abuse.

A total of 7,755 people were admitted to hospital in Dudley during 2010-11 because of alcohol misuse.

In total, there were 713 more such admissions than the year before.

## Alert

Public awareness campaigns have helped to slow down the increase slightly, so far this year, alongside action to alert health professionals – GPs, pharmacists and hospital staff – to step in when they come across patients who drink too much.

NHS Dudley's board meeting heard last week that Dudley is almost certain to fail to achieve the reduction it is aiming for in the next four to five years.

Director of public health Valerie Little said: "We are on a rising curve for alcohol-related hospital admissions and we aim to put in actions to damp down that rise."

Ms Little added that NHS Dudley staff would be talking to supermarkets and other outlets in areas identified as "hot spots" for drinking.

# Memories flood back as school marks 150 years



Joyce Bullock and head Sarah Bott

PUPILS past and present came together to mark the 150th anniversary of a Black Country primary school.

Hundreds flocked to the activities at a community day held at St Martin's Primary Church of England Primary School in Tipton.

Founded in 1861, it has served thousands of pupils over the generations, even surviving a major blaze more than 25 years ago.

Some of the guests were former teachers and pupils who were reunited after many years.

Joyce Bullock, aged 64, attended as a pupil in the 1950s when she was known as Joyce Nind and later taught at the school from 1969 to 1975.

She has many happy memories of the Lower Church Lane school and displayed her personal collection of class photographs. "I am thrilled and excited to be here because it's always been a dream of mine to be able to meet up with children I



Former teacher Pat Roberts with ex-pupil Caroline Hiron during the day



Ex-pupil and teacher Joyce Bullock, back second left, in the early 70s

once taught," said Mrs Bullock, of Bancroft close, Coseley. "Sometimes I bump into them in supermarkets, but this is lovely."

## Different

Another former teacher attending was Pat Roberts, 68, of Wombrook Dale, Wombourne, who taught there from 1973 to 1997.

"I've really enjoyed meeting some of my former pupils again," Former pupil Leslie Partridge, now 83, grew up in nearby

Keelinge Street, Tipton, and started at St Martin's in 1931.

Mr Partridge, now of Acacia Drive, Coseley, said: "The building is totally different from in my day. But I loved playing football and all the sports and we used to keep an allotment at the back. I remember planting the vegetables."

The recent fun day, which featured mini rides, donkeys, Punch and Judy, stalls and presentations by current pupils, was sponsored by South Tipton Extended Partnership and the council's local area team.

Head Sarah Bott said: "It's been great, fabulous weather and everyone has turned up. It shows what a fantastic community Tipton is."

St Martin's suffered a major blaze in 1985 when arsonists set fire to it, causing the roof to collapse.

Other events to mark the milestone have included pupils working with an artist to create window-style pictures to depict the story of St Martin, a Victorian week and a reunion of former staff.



Clown Kevin Rowe and Adam Greenfield, 11



Former pupil Leslie Partridge, aged 83

## Petition as work on roads goes on

AN 18-month programme of roadworks in Dudley town centre is causing havoc according to residents.

So far five roads in Dudley have been hit by closures and locals fear the problem is going to get worse as 64 streets in total are dug up.

They claim access to their homes is being made difficult by the work and queues have been created on busy roads nearby.

Drivers are having to negotiate a series of diversions as many roads are closed completely.

Work on Churchfield Street will run until June 14, while nearby Steppingstone Street and Greystone Passage are also going to be hit.

## Minor

Some 30 business owners have signed a petition calling for talks over the work. John Showell, aged 51, a mechanic who lives in Churchfield Street, said: "It has been a bit of a nightmare so far and there's a few weeks left here yet."

The work is being carried out by National Grid, South Staffordshire Water, Virgin Media, Severn Trent Water and Central Networks, co-ordinated by Dudley Council.

The council's director of the urban environment John Millar said: "It should be noted that the majority of the works relate to minor roads on the edge of town as opposed to key routes and this co-ordinated approach will ensure the works take no longer than needed."



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6.00 Breakfast. 10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live. 11.35 Rachel Allen: Home Cooking. (R) 12.00 BBC News: Regional News; Weather. 12.15 Usain Bolt: Running Man. 12.45 A Question of Sport. (R) 1.15 Derby Day. 4.30 Total Wipeout - Celebrity Special. (R) 5.30 BBC News: Regional News; Weather. 5.40 So You Think You Can Dance Live.

6.40 Doctor Who. Amy is kidnapped, signalling the approach of the Battle of Demons Run, the conflict in which the Doctor is destined to face his darkest hour. Starring Matt Smith.

7.30 The National Lottery: Who Dares Wins. Sophie Ellis-Bextor is the guest on the game show in which two pairs of strangers team up, each battling to outdo the other by listing as much as they know about a given subject.

8.20 Casualty. Mads comes face to face with the taxi driver who assaulted her.

9.10 So You Think You Can Dance. The dancers with the lowest votes perform again.

9.30 John Bishop's Britain. Comedy, with guest Natalie Cassidy. Last in the series. (R)

10.00 Michael McIntyre's Comedy Roadshow. With Kevin Bridges, Daniel Sloss, Milton Jones and Craig Campbell. (R)

10.30 BBC News: Weather.; National Lottery Update. 10.55 FILM: Firewall. (2006) Action thriller, starring Harrison Ford.

12.35 Derby Day. Highlights. Weatherview. 1.10 BBC News.

6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 12.00 Coast. 12.15 Diagnosis Murder. 1.00 Two Greedy Italians. (R) 2.00 Live French Open Tennis. The women's singles final. 5.10 Escape to the Country. (R) 5.40 Flog It! (R)

6.40 Dad's Army. The King visits Walmington-on-Sea. (R)

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7.10 Don't Panic! The Dad's Army Story. Victoria Wood pays tribute to the timeless humour of Dad's Army, introducing classic moments from the long-running series. Contributors include stars Clive Dunn and Ian Lavender. (R)

8.00 D-Day to Berlin. Docu-drama charting the campaign waged by Allied forces against Germany toward the end of the Second World War, beginning with events at the Normandy beach-head in 1944. (R)

9.00 Have I Got a Bit More News for You. With Richard Madeley and Joe Wilkinson. (R)

9.45 QI XL. With Liza Tarbuck. (R)

10.30 FILM: Enigma. (2001) Second World War romantic thriller, with Dougray Scott and Saffron Burrows.

12.20 French Open Tennis. 1.20 Film: A Study in Terror. (1965) John Neville stars. 2.55 Close.

6.00 CITV: Mini CITV. 7.25 CITV. 8.25 House of Games. (R) 9.25 Coronation Street. 12.10 This Morning. Saturday. 1.10 ITV News; Weather. 1.20 You've Been Framed! (R) 1.50 Film: Field of Dreams. (1989) Baseball fantasy, with Kevin Costner and Ray Liotta. 3.45 Regional Programmes. 4.00 ITV News; Weather. 4.15 Live International Football. England v Switzerland (Kick-off 4.45pm).

7.00 Britain's Got Talent Final. The national talent search comes to a close as the 10 finalists take to the stage one last time, competing to impress the judges as well as the voting public. The results can be seen at 9.30pm.

9.00 Popstar to Operastar: The Curtain Raiser. This year's line-up is revealed.

9.30 Britain's Got Talent Final Results. This year's winner is announced. Last in the series.

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10.00 ITV News; Weather. 10.15 International Football Highlights. England v Switzerland.

11.15 FILM: The Gauntlet. (1977) Action adventure, starring Clint Eastwood.

1.15 The Zone. ITV News Headlines. 3.20 In Plain Sight. 4.05 ITV Nightscreen. 5.30 ITV Morning News.

6.10 The Hoobs. (R) 6.35 The Film Show. (R) 7.00 FILM Superbike World Championship. 7.25 Formula Ford Championship. 7.55 The Morning Line. 8.50 T4: Friends. (R) 9.20 T4: X-Men: First Class - T4 Movie Special. 9.50 T4: The Wanted. Stars and Stripes. (R) 10.55 T4: Friends. (R) 11.25 T4: Style the Nation. 12.20 T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) 12.50 T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) 1.20 That Paralympic Show. 1.55 Channel 4 Racing. 3.55 Come Dine with Me Extra Portions. (R) 4.25 Come Dine with Me Extra Portions. (R) 5.30 Come Dine with Me Extra Portions. (R)

6.00 Channel 4 News. 6.25 4thought.tv. A Catholic woman discusses her views on cosmetic surgery.

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6.30 FILM: The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King. (2003) As Frodo and Sam near the end of their quest, their friends face a final battle with the forces of darkness. Climax of the fantasy trilogy, starring Elijah Wood.

10.15 FILM: X-Men: The Last Stand. (2006) Superhero sequel, starring Hugh Jackman.

12.15 Film: Oldboy. (2003) Revenge thriller. 2.25 Ugly Betty. (R) 3.10 The Dead Zone. (R) 3.55 Island. (R) 4.10 Hill Street Blues. (R) 5.00 Vogan's Perfect Recall. (R) 5.25 Countdown. (R)

6.00 Milkshake! 10.00 Meals in Moments. (R) 10.10 How Do They Do It? (R) 10.40 The Gadget Show. (R) 11.40 Extreme Fishing with Robson Green - At the Ends of the Earth. (R) 12.40 The Hotel Inspector. (R) 1.45 Film: Hangman's Knot. (1952) Western, starring Randolph Scott. 3.20 Film: The Pink Panther. (2006) Comedy remake. 5.05 Film: My Girl 2. (1994) Drama sequel, with Anna Chlumsky.

7.00 Cricket. England v Sri Lanka. 7.55 5 News Weekend. 8.00 NCIS. The bodies of two assassins are delivered to NCIS from overseas - so Tony and Ziva assume their identities and keep a rendezvous at a luxury hotel in a bid to identify their target. (R)

9.00 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. Sara is used as bait to trap an elusive serial killer who is obviously well-versed in forensic procedure and knows how to plant false evidence at crime scenes. (R)

10.00 CSI: NY. Mac considers ending his career after a near-fatal experience. Last in the series.

10.55 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. Catherine unwittingly flirts with a murder suspect. (R)

11.55 Rough Guide To. Holiday highlights. (R)

12.10 SCXTRA. 12.40 SuperCasino. 4.00 Rough Guide to Activity Holidays. (R) 4.10 Great Scientists. (R) 4.35 HouseBusters. (R) 5.00 Hana's Helpline. (R) 5.10 The Milkshake! Show. (R) 5.45 Thomas & Friends. (R) 5.45 Roary the Racing Car. (R)

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ITV2  
3.00 Film: Nanny McPhee (2005) 5.00 Britain's Got Talent 6.30 Britain's Got Talent Results 7.00 Grimefighters 8.00 The Vampire Diaries 10.00 Britain's Got More Talent: The Final 11.00 Film: Hot Fuzz (2007) Action comedy, starring Simon Pegg and Nick Frost. Including FYI Daily.

ITV3  
2.30 Film: Evil Under the Sun (1982) 4.50 Inspector Morse 6.55 Rosemary & Thyme 8.00 Doc Martin 9.00 Agatha Christie's Marple 11.05 The Classic Brit Awards 2011

ITV4  
3.15 The Sweeney 4.20 Film: The Pride and the Passion (1957) 7.00 The Sweeney 8.00 John McGuinness - Breaking the Barrier 9.00 TT 2011 10.00 Film: The Hitcher (2007) 11.45 Film: Cross of Iron (1977)

BBC THREE  
7.00 Great TV Mistakes 7.30 Doctor Who Confidential 8.15 Top Gear Bolivia Special 9.30 Great TV Mistakes 10.00 Film: Kill Bill: Vol 2 (2004) The Bride continues her quest to exact vengeance on those who tried to kill her on her wedding day. Thriller sequel, starring Uma Thurman, David Carradine and Daryl Hannah.

BBC FOUR  
7.00 The Secret Life of Elephants 8.00 Latin Music USA 9.00 Wallander 10.25 African Railway 11.25 Top of the Pops: 1976

E4  
1.25 Hollyoaks 4.00 Made in Chelsea 5.00 Friends 6.00 The Big Bang Theory 8.00 How I Met Your Mother 9.00 Friends 10.00 Film: Wrong Turn (2003) 11.40 The Cleveland Show

FILM4  
2.35 A Room with a View (1986) 4.50 Paper Moon (1973) 7.00 Just My Luck (2006) Romantic comedy, starring Lindsay Lohan and Chris Pine. 9.00 PS I Love You (2007) 11.35 Lady Vengeance (2005)

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**6.00** Breakfast. **9.00** The Andrew Marr Show. **10.00** The Big Questions. **11.00** Country Tracks: Weather for the Week Ahead. **12.00** The Politics Show. **1.00** EastEnders. **2.55** Life of Riley. **(R)** **3.25** Life of Riley. **(R)** **3.55** Escape to the Country. **4.40** Points of View. **4.55** Songs of Praise. **5.30** BBC News; Regional News; Weather.

**6.00** Inside the Human Body. Michael Mosley presents a compilation of highlights from the series exploring the inner workings of the human body, including how faces are formed and the complex functions of eyes.

**7.00** Countryfile. Julia Bradbury discovers why Northumberland's Kielder Water and Forest Park has become a haven for wildlife, and Matt Baker learns about the Domesday Reloaded project, including Weather for the Week Ahead.

**8.00** Antiques Roadshow. Fiona Bruce looks back at memorable finds from the past series.

**9.00** Case Histories. New series. Part one of two. Jason Isaacs stars.

**10.00** BBC News; Regional News; Weather. **10.25** Regional Programme. **11.10** Andrew Marr's Megacities. How heavily populated cities feed, protect and move their citizens. **(R)**

**12.10** The Sky at Night. Weatherwise. **12.35** Sign Zone: The Apprentice. **(R)** **1.35** Holby City. **(R)** **2.35** A History of Ancient Britain. **(R)** **3.35** BBC News.

**6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **10.00** Something for the Weekend. **11.30** Great British Menu. **(R)** **12.30** Live MotoGP: The Catalunya Grand Prix (Start-time 1.00pm). **2.00** Live French Open Tennis. The men's singles final.

**6.10** Richard Hammond's Engineering Connections. The ingenious design secrets of NASA's space shuttle.

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**7.00** Top Gear. Jeremy Clarkson spares no expense when he tests the BMW X6, Richard Hammond tries out a £340,000 Lexus, and James May drives the Vauxhall Insignia VXR.

**8.00** Murray Walker: Life in the Fast Lane. A portrait of the motor-racing commentator.

**9.00** Coast. New series. Nick Crane travels from London to Belgium.

**10.00** FILM: The Damned United. (2009) Fact-based drama, starring Michael Sheen. **11.35** Brian Clough: The Greatest Manager England Never Had? The story of the charismatic and controversial football manager. **(R)**

**12.35** The Shadow Line. **(R)** **1.35** French Open Tennis. **2.35** BBC News. **3.35** The Super League Show. **4.20** Close.

**6.00** CITV: Mini CITV. **7.25** CITV. **8.25** May the Best House Win. **(R)** **9.25** Dickinson's Real Deal. **(R)** **10.25** 60 Minute Makeover. **(R)** **11.30** This Morning: Sunday. **12.30** Dinner Date. **(R)** **1.30** ITV News; Weather. **1.35** Britain Does the Funniest Things. **(R)** **2.05** Britain's Got Talent Final. **(R)** **4.05** Britain's Got Talent Final Results. **(R)** **4.35** Midsomer Murders. **(R)**

**6.35** Regional Programmes. **6.45** ITV News; Weather. **7.00** The Royal Nurse. Susie's head is turned by a rich playboy, with devastating consequences for Mrs Middleditch, and Ormerod is called out to help a grieving widow stuck on her yacht.

**8.00** Popstar to Operastar. New series. Eight pop singers learn to perform classical songs.

**9.00** Scott & Bailey. Horrific events unfold following a killer's arrest.

**10.00** Popstar to Operastar. The Results. The two least popular contestants perform again.

**10.30** ITV News; Weather. **10.45** FILM: The Constant Gardener. (2005) Political thriller, with Ralph Fiennes.

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**1.00** The Zone. **ITV** News Headlines. **2.00** British Superbike Championship Highlights. **3.00** Motorsport UK. **3.50** ITV Nightscreen. **5.30** ITV News.

**6.10** The Hoobs. **(R)** **6.35** That Paralympic Show. **(R)** **7.05** The Grid. **7.30** Triathlon. **8.00** T4: Style the Nation. **8.25** T4: Friends. **(R)** **8.50** T4: Holyoaks. **11.25** T4: The Saturdays: Headlines Live. **12.00** T4: Friends. **(R)** **12.30** T4: Nicola Roberts: Video Exclusive. **12.35** T4: The Simpsons. **(R)** **1.05** T4: The Simpsons. **(R)** **1.40** Four in a Bed. **(R)** **2.10** Four in a Bed. **(R)** **2.40** Four in a Bed. **(R)** **3.15** Four in a Bed. **(R)** **3.45** Four in a Bed. **(R)** **4.15** Deal or No Deal. **5.20** Channel 4 News. **5.45** 4thought. tv. **5.50** Film: Home Alone 2: Lost in New York. (1992)

**8.00** The Hotel. Manager Wayne claims he cannot bear to work with another long, forcing owner Jonathan to intervene. The sows receive a new male companion. Last in the series.

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**9.00** FILM: Role Models. (2008) Premiere. After a brush with the law, two irresponsible men are forced to look after troubled kids. Comedy, starring Paul Rudd. **11.00** FILM: Zoolander. (2001) Comedy, starring Ben Stiller.

**12.45** Jamie's Dream School. **(R)** **1.45** Jackpots and Jinxes: Lottery Stories. **(R)** **2.40** Film: Silver Streak. (1976) Comedy thriller, with Gene Wilder. **4.40** Civilization: Is the West History? **(R)** **5.35** Countdown. **(R)**

**6.00** Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. **6.05** Roary the Racing Car. **(R)** **6.15** Fifi and the Flowerfots. **(R)** **6.25** Fireman Sam. **(R)** **6.40** Miss Spider's Sunny Patch Friends. **(R)** **7.05** Chiro. **(R)** **7.10** Mio Mao. **(R)** **7.20** Harry and His Bucket Full of Dinosaurs. **(R)** **7.30** Noddy in Toyland. **(R)** **7.45** Hana's Helpline. **(R)** **8.00** Little Princess. **(R)** **8.10** Milkshake Monkey. **(R)** **8.15** The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. **(R)** **8.30** Mister Sheepdog Tales. **(R)** **8.45** Rupert Bear. **(R)** **9.00** Olivia. **(R)** **9.15** The Mr Men Show. **(R)** **9.30** Gerald McBoing Boing. **(R)** **10.00** Chinese Food in Minutes. **(R)** **10.15** McFly on the Wall. **10.45** Eddie Stobart: Trucks and Trailers. **(R)** **11.45** D-Day: The Ultimate Conflict. **(R)** **1.50** Film: Mission to Mars. (2000) Sci-fi adventure, starring Gary Sinise. **4.00** 5 News Weekend. **4.05** Film: Kelly's Heroes. (1970) Second World War adventure, starring Clint Eastwood.

**7.00** Cricket. England v Sri Lanka. **7.55** FILM: Shanghai Noon. (2000) A 19th-century imperial guard to the Emperor of China is flung into the Wild West on a mission to rescue a kidnapped princess. Comedy Western, starring Jackie Chan and Owen Wilson.

**10.00** FILM: Rambo. (2008) Premiere. Action sequel, starring Sylvester Stallone.

**11.50** UFC 128: Main Event.

**12.50** SuperCasino. **4.00** Rough Guide to Short Breaks. **(R)** **4.10** Great Artists. **(R)** **4.35** Nick's Quest. **(R)** **5.00** Hana's Helpline. **(R)** **5.10** The Milkshake! Show. **(R)** **5.35** Thomas & Friends. **(R)** **5.45** Roary the Racing Car. **(R)**

**ITV2**  
**3.40** Film: Robots (2005) **5.30** Britain's Got Talent Final **7.30** Britain's Got Talent Final Results **8.00** Film: The Scorpion King (2002) **9.45** Jessie J: The Hot Desk **10.00** Film: The Shawshank Redemption (1994) A banker wrongly jailed for his wife's murder forms an extraordinary friendship with a fellow inmate and conceives a unique escape plan. Drama, with Tim Robbins and Morgan Freeman. Including FYI Daily.

**ITV3**  
**3.10** Goodnight Mister Tom **5.15** Film: March of the Penguins (2005) **6.55** Mr Bean **8.00** Film: Parenthood (1999) **10.30** A Touch of Frost

**ITV4**  
**11.30** Live British Touring Car Championship. Coverage of the fourth round of the season at Oulton Park. **6.00** Murray Walker's TT Memories **7.00** The Professionals **8.00** The Sweeney **9.00** TT 2011 **10.00** Film: Soldier (1998)

**BBC THREE**  
**7.00** Doctor Who **7.50** Great Movie Mistakes 2: The Sequel **7.55** Film: 101 Dalmatians (1996) **9.30** Ideal **10.00** Family Guy **10.45** American Dad! **11.30** Ideal

**BBC FOUR**  
**7.00** Britain's Park Story **8.00** Edgar Allan Poe: Love, Death and Women **9.00** A History of Horror with Mark Gattas **9.00** Film: Gods and Monsters (1998) **11.40** Annie Nightingale: Bird on the Wireless

**E4**  
**3.00** Jo Frost: Extreme Parental Guidance **4.05** Film: Volcano (1997) **6.00** Friends **7.00** 90210 **7.55** Friends **9.00** Desperate Housewives **11.00** Being Erica **11.55** The Big Bang Theory

**FILM4**  
**3.00** Carry On Cabby (1963) **4.50** X-Men: First Class Special **5.00** Destination Moon (1950) **6.50** One Fine Day (1996) **9.00** Mr & Mrs Smith (2005) **11.15** Pathfinder (2007)

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**BBC1** 6.00 Breakfast. 9.15 Crimewatch Roadshow. 10.00 Homes Under the Hammer. (R) BBC News; Weather. 11.00 Real Rescues. 11.45 Cash in the Attic. (R) BBC News; Weather. 12.15 Bargain Hunt. 1.00 BBC News; Weather. 1.30 Regional News; Weather. 1.45 Doctors. 2.15 Escape to the Country. (R) 3.00 BBC News; Weather; Regional News. 3.05 CBBC. 5.15 Weakest Link. 6.00 BBC News; Weather. 6.30 Regional News Programmes; Weather. 7.00 The One Show. 8.00 EastEnders. 8.30 A Job to Get Work - Panorama. 9.00 Case Histories. 10.00 BBC News. 10.25 Regional News; Weather. 10.35 A Question of Sport. 11.05 The Graham Norton Show. (R) 11.50 Film: A Lot Like Love. (2005) Romantic comedy, starring Ashton Kutcher and Amanda Peet; Weatherview. 1.35 Sign Zone: Wonders of the Universe. (R) 2.35 Inside the Human Body. (R) 3.35 Great British Railway Journeys. (R) 4.05 BBC News.

**BBC2** 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30 CBeebies. 11.35 The Pink Panther Show. (R) 12.00 Daily Politics. 12.30 GMT with George Alagiah. 1.00 Tennis from Queen's. The AEGON Championships. 5.15 Cash in the Celebrity Attic. (R) 6.00 Eggheads. 6.30 Britain's Empty Homes. (R) 7.00 The Story of Ireland. 8.00 Sports Illustrated. 9.00 All Weather Weather by Machines of Loving Grace. 10.00 Psychoville 2. 10.30 Newsnight; Weather. 11.20 D-Day to Berlin. (R) 12.20 Richard Hammond's Engineering Connections. (R) 1.10 BBC News. 4.05 Close.

**ITV1** 6.00 Daybreak. 8.30 Lorraine. 9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show. 10.30 This Morning. 12.30 Loose Women. 1.30 ITV News; Weather. 1.55 Regional News; Weather. 2.00 60 Minute Makeover. (R) 3.00 Secret Dealers. 3.59 Regional Weather. 4.00 Midsomer Murders. (R) 6.00 Regional News; Weather. 6.30 ITV News; Weather. 7.00 Emmerdale. 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 The Dales. 8.30 Coronation Street. 9.00 Injustice. 10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather. 10.30 Regional News; Weather. 10.35 Film: Taking Lives. (2004) Detective thriller, starring Angelina Jolie. 12.30 The Zone: ITV News Headlines. 2.30 Nightwatch with Steve Scott. 3.25 ITV Nightline. 4.35 The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) 5.30 ITV Morning News.

**Channel 4** 6.20 Sali Mali. (R) 6.25 The Treacle People. (R) 6.35 The Hoobs. (R) 7.00 Freshly Squeezed. 7.30 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 8.25 Frasier. (R) 8.55 Friends. (R) 9.25 Accidentally on Purpose. 9.55 Location, Location, Location. (R) 10.55 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away. (R) 12.00 Channel 4 News Summary. 12.05 Great British Brands. (R) 12.20 Jamie at Home. (R) 12.50 Film: Guadalcanal Diary. (1943) Second World War drama, starring Preston Foster. 2.35 Baking Mad with Eric Lianard. 3.10 Countdown. 4.00 Deal or No Deal. 5.00 Four in a Bed. 5.30 Come Dine with Me. 6.00 The Simpsons. (R) 6.30 Hollyoaks. 7.00 Channel 4 News. 7.55 4thought.tv. 8.00 America's Secret Killers: Dispatches. 9.00 Embarrassing Families. 10.00 Murder. (2008) Romantic comedy, starring Katherine Heigl and James Marsden. 12.10 Poker. 1.15 24 Hours in A&E. (R) 2.10 Diagnosis Live from the Clinic. (R) 3.05 Laid Off. (R) 3.15 Reasons to Be Cheerful. (R) 3.30 When Hell Freezes. (R) 4.50 Wogan's Perfect Recall. (R) 5.15 Hill Street Blues. (R)

**Channel 5** 6.00 Milkshake! 9.15 The Wright Stuff. 11.05 The Hotel Inspector. (R) 12.00 Meals in Moments. (R) 12.10 5 News Lunchtime. 12.20 Law & Order. (R) 1.15 Home and Away. 1.45 Neighbours. 2.15 The Vanessa Show. 3.05 The Family Recipe. (R) 3.15 Film: The Waiting Game. (1998) Romantic thriller, starring Paula Abdul and Chris Potter. 5.05 5 News at 5; Weather. 5.30 Neighbours. (R) 6.00 Home and Away. (R) 6.25 OK! TV. 6.55 5 News at 7. 7.00 Cricket. 8.00 The Gadget Show. 5 News at 9. 9.00 The Hotel Inspector. 10.00 The Restaurant Inspector. 11.00 Film: Gothika. (2003) Horror, starring Psychological horror, starring Halle Berry. Robert Downey Jr. Penelope Cruz and Bernard Hill. 12.50 Rough Guide To. (R) 1.05 SuperCasino. 4.00 The Family Recipe. (R) 4.10 Michaela's Wild Challenge. (R) 4.55 County Secrets. (R) 5.10 Wildlife SOS. (R) 5.35 House Doctor. (R)

## Tuesday

**BBC1** 6.00 Breakfast. 9.15 Crimewatch Roadshow. 10.00 Homes Under the Hammer. (R) BBC News; Weather. 11.00 Real Rescues. 11.45 Cash in the Attic. (R) BBC News; Weather. 12.15 Bargain Hunt. 1.00 BBC News; Weather. 1.30 Regional News; Weather. 1.45 Doctors. 2.15 Escape to the Country. (R) 3.00 BBC News; Weather; Regional News. 3.05 CBBC. 5.15 Weakest Link. (R) 6.00 BBC News; Weather. 6.30 Regional News Programmes; Weather. 7.00 The One Show. 7.30 Watson's World. 8.00 BBC News; Regional News. 8.00 Holby City. 9.00 Junior Doctors: Your Life in Their Hands. 10.00 BBC News. 10.25 Regional News; Weather. 10.35 Poor Kids. British children living in poverty; National Lottery Update. 11.35 The Lock Up. (R) Weather. 12.10 Sign Zone: Children's Craniofacial Surgery. (R) 1.10 Women, Weddings, War and Me. (R) 2.10 D-Day SOS: The Big Build. (R) 3.10 Great British Railway Journeys. (R) 3.40 BBC News.

**BBC2** 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30 CBeebies. 11.35 The Pink Panther Show. (R) 12.00 Daily Politics. 12.30 GMT with George Alagiah. 1.00 Tennis from Queen's. The AEGON Championships. 5.15 Cash in the Celebrity Attic. (R) 6.00 Eggheads. (R) 6.30 Britain's Empty Homes. (R) 7.00 Britain's Secret Seas. (R) 8.00 Springwatch 2011. 9.00 The Sunbry House Revealed. 10.00 Lead Balloon. 10.30 Newsnight; Weather. 11.20 D-Day to Berlin. (R) 12.20 BBC News. 3.40 Close.

**ITV1** 6.00 Daybreak. 8.30 Lorraine. 9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show. 10.30 This Morning. 12.30 Loose Women. 1.30 ITV News; Weather. 1.55 Regional News; Weather. 2.00 60 Minute Makeover. (R) 3.00 Secret Dealers. 3.59 Regional Weather. 4.00 Midsomer Murders. (R) 6.00 Regional News; Weather. 6.30 ITV News; Weather. 7.00 Emmerdale. 7.30 Animal Kingdom. 8.00 Countryvibe. 9.00 Injustice. 10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather. 10.30 Regional News; Weather. 10.35 Film: Falling Down. (1993) Urban thriller, starring Michael Douglas. 12.40 The Zone: ITV News Headlines. 2.45 Crossing Jordan. 3.30 ITV Nightscreen. 5.30 ITV Morning News.

**Channel 4** 6.10 The Hoobs. (R) 6.35 Squeezed. 7.30 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 8.25 Frasier. (R) 8.55 Friends. (R) 9.25 Accidentally on Purpose. 9.55 Location, Location, Location. (R) 10.55 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away. (R) 12.00 Channel 4 News Summary. 12.05 Film: Quo Vadis. (1951) A Roman soldier has an affair with a Christian woman during the dangerous reign of the insane Emperor Nero. Historical epic, starring Robert Taylor, Deborah Kerr, Peter Ustinov, Leo Genn, Finlay Currie, Patricia Laffan, Buddy Baer and Abraham Sofaer. 3.10 Countdown. 4.00 Deal or No Deal. 5.00 Four in a Bed. 5.30 Come Dine with Me. 6.00 The Simpsons. (R) 6.30 Hollyoaks. 7.00 Channel 4 News. 7.55 4thought.tv. 8.00 Four Rooms. 9.00 The Fairy Godmother. 10.00 Jamie's Food Therapy. (R) 11.05 Mistis. 12.10 European Poker Tour. 1.10 Film Superbike World Championship. (R) 1.40 Formula Ford Championship. (R) 2.05 The Grid. (R) 2.35 KOTV Boxing World. 3.00 Triathlon. (R) 3.25 FIVE Beach Volleyball. (R) 4.20 Catching the Impossible. (R) 5.15 Full Metal Challenge. (R)

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## Wednesday

**BBC1** 6.00 Breakfast. 9.15 Crimewatch Roadshow. 10.00 Homes Under the Hammer. (R) BBC News; Weather. 11.00 Real Rescues. 11.45 Cash in the Attic. (R) BBC News; Weather. 12.15 Bargain Hunt. 1.00 BBC News; Weather. 1.30 Regional News; Weather. 1.45 Doctors. 2.15 Escape to the Country. (R) 3.00 BBC News; Weather; Regional News. 3.05 CBBC. 5.15 Weakest Link. (R) 6.00 BBC News; Weather. 6.30 Regional News Programmes; Weather. 7.00 The One Show. 7.30 Watson's World. 8.00 BBC News; Regional News. 8.30 In with the Flynns. 9.00 The Apprentice. 10.00 BBC News. 10.25 Regional News; Weather. 10.35 The National Lottery Wednesday Night Draws. 10.45 Not Going Out. (R) 11.15 Film: The Mexican. (2001) Comedy thriller, starring Brad Pitt and Julia Roberts; National Lottery Update; Weatherview. 1.15 Sign Zone: See Hear. (R) 1.45 Country Tracks. (R) 2.40 The British at Work. (R) 3.40 BBC News.

**BBC2** 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30 CBeebies. 11.35 The Pink Panther Show. (R) 12.00 Daily Politics. 12.30 GMT with George Alagiah. 1.00 Tennis from Queen's. The AEGON Championships. 5.15 Cash in the Celebrity Attic. (R) 6.00 Eggheads. (R) 6.30 Britain's Empty Homes. (R) 7.00 Escape to the Country. 7.30 Springwatch 2011. 8.30 Springwatch Unsprung 2011. 9.00 Wonderland - Travels with My Family. 10.00 The Apprentice: You're Fired. 10.30 Newsnight; Weather. 11.20 Stewart Lee's Comedy Vehicle. 11.50 Queen: Days of Our Lives. (R) 12.50 BBC News. 3.40 Close.

**ITV1** 6.00 Daybreak. 8.30 Lorraine. 9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show. 10.30 This Morning. 12.30 Loose Women. 1.30 ITV News; Weather. 1.55 Regional News; Weather. 2.00 60 Minute Makeover. (R) 3.00 Secret Dealers. 3.59 Regional Weather. 4.00 Midsomer Murders. (R) 6.00 Regional News; Weather. 6.30 ITV News; Weather. 7.00 Emmerdale. 7.30 Poms in Paradise. 8.00 You've Been Framed and Famous! 9.00 Injustice. 10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather. 10.35 Regional News; Weather. 10.35 Film: The Girl on the Train. (2010) Mystery thriller, starring Amanda Holden's Fantasy Lives. (R) 12.30 The Zone: ITV News. 2.35 British Touring Car Championship. 3.50 ITV Nightscreen. 4.35 The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) 5.30 ITV Morning News.

**Channel 4** 6.10 The Hoobs. (R) 6.35 Squeezed. 7.30 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 8.25 Frasier. (R) 8.55 Friends. (R) 9.25 Accidentally on Purpose. 9.55 Location, Location, Location. (R) 10.55 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away. (R) 12.00 Channel 4 News Summary. 12.05 Kirstie's Homemade Home. (R) 1.05 Jamie at Home. (R) 1.35 Film: Bulwhip. (1958) Western, starring Guy Madison and Rhonda Fleming. 3.10 Countdown. 4.00 Deal or No Deal. 5.00 Four in a Bed. 5.30 Come Dine with Me. 6.00 The Simpsons. (R) 6.30 Hollyoaks. 7.00 Channel 4 News. 7.55 4thought.tv. 8.00 Diagnosis Live from the Clinic. 9.00 24 Hours in A&E. 10.00 Desperate Housewives. 11.05 The Big Bang Theory. (R) 11.35 The Big Bang Theory. (R) 12.00 Music on 4: The Album Chart Show: Spotlight. 12.15 Music on 4: 4Play: Benjamin Francis Leftwich. 12.35 Music on 4: 4Play: Mirrors. 12.50 Dad's Having a Baby: A Bodyshock Special. (R) 1.45 Film: The Shape of Things. (2003) Drama, starring Rachel Weisz. 3.25 The Dead Zone. (R) 4.05 Hill Street Blues. (R) 5.00 Wogan's Perfect Recall. (R) 5.25 Countdown. (R)

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**BBC2** 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30 CBeebies. 11.35 The Pink Panther Show. (R) 12.00 Daily Politics. 12.30 GMT with George Alagiah. 1.00 Tennis from Queen's. The AEGON Championships. 5.15 Cash in the Celebrity Attic. (R) 6.00 Eggheads. (R) 6.30 Britain's Empty Homes. (R) 7.00 The Clydebank Blitz. 8.00 Springwatch 2011. 9.00 The Shadow Line. 10.00 Mock the Week. 10.30 Newsnight; Weather. 11.20 Psychoville 2. (R) 11.50 Queen: Days of Our Lives. (R) 12.50 BBC News. 3.55 Close.

**ITV1** 6.00 Daybreak. 8.30 Lorraine. 9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show. 10.30 This Morning. 12.30 Loose Women. 1.30 ITV News; Weather. 1.55 Regional News; Weather. 2.00 60 Minute Makeover. (R) 3.00 Secret Dealers. 3.59 Regional Weather. 4.00 Midsomer Murders. (R) 6.00 Regional News; Weather. 6.30 ITV News; Weather. 7.00 Emmerdale. 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 Injustice. 10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather. 10.35 Regional News; Weather. 10.35 Film: The Girl on the Train. (2010) Mystery thriller, starring Amanda Holden's Fantasy Lives. (R) 12.30 The Zone: ITV News. 2.35 British Touring Car Championship. 3.50 ITV Nightscreen. 4.35 The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) 5.30 ITV Morning News.

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**BBC2** 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30 CBeebies. 11.35 The Pink Panther Show. (R) 12.00 Daily Politics. 12.30 GMT with George Alagiah. 1.00 Tennis from Queen's. The AEGON Championships quarter-finals. 5.15 Cash in the Celebrity Attic. (R) 6.00 Eggheads. (R) 6.30 Britain's Empty Homes. (R) 7.00 Petworth House - The Big Spring Clean. 7.30 Coast to Coast. (R) 8.30 Gardeners' World. 9.00 Julia Bradbury's Canal Walks. 9.30 Paul Merton's Birth of Hollywood. 10.30 Newsnight. 11.00 The Review Show; Weather. 11.50 Film: Brazil. (1985) Satirical comedy, starring Jonathan Pryce. 2.05 Close.

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Modern two bedroom semi-detached home | Well presented throughout | Gas central heated and double glazed | Delightful cul-de-sac location with superb outlook | Garage and off road parking | View early



**New**



**AMBLECOTE, Brettell Lane**  
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Superb three bedroom terrace | Refitted kitchen | Delightful conservatory | Modern lounge | Convenient location | Gas central heating and double glazing | Ideal first time buy | View early



**New**



**QUARRY BANK, Bower Lane**  
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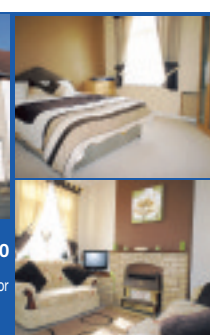


**New**



**QUARRY BANK, East Street**  
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Charming two/three bedroom end terrace | Full of character | Modern fitted kitchen | Two first floor bedrooms and loft room | Conservatory | Good sized rear gardens | View Early



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Rare opportunity | Superb spacious ground floor apartment | Two good bedrooms | Self contained with own front door | Spacious lounge diner | En suite | Smart modern kitchen | Off road parking | In conjunction with Accord Housing Association.



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Refurbished one bedroom ground floor flat | Good sized refitted kitchen | Smart refitted bathroom | Lounge | Double bedroom | uPVC windows and gas central heating | Ideal Buy to Let - No Upward Chain





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## Fuel savings are high on Peugeot 308's agenda

By Sharon Walters

THIS MONTH sees a facelifted Peugeot 308 in the showrooms which also brings a boost in fuel efficiency and low CO2 emissions.

And what an attractive package this popular car is.

The 308 was first launched in September 2007 and was the first of Peugeot's new "8" generation cars. More than 89,000 have been sold in the UK alone and Peugeot is confident its success will continue with the second incarnation.

Peugeot as a brand is really changing and the 308 arrives with the latest styling elements from the marque –

already seen on the 508 and the SR1 Concept Car. On the outside, the design has been sharpened up with a new look at the front, which is sharply raked and has the latest LED headlamps and daytime running lights to give the new 308 an elegant and modern look.

Inside, the design has also been updated, bringing it right up to date.

It is available in three body styles – Hatchback, CC and SW, and four multi-model trim levels: Access, SR, Active and Allure. A range-topping hatchback and CC THP 200 model will arrive later this year in a single GT trim level.

Standard kit on all models includes air conditioning, stability control, all-round electric windows,

remote locking and six airbags.

But it is really under the metal shell that the biggest changes come with the introduction of more efficient engines and Peugeot's innovative micro-hybrid e-HDi stop and start technology.

There is a choice of four petrol and four diesel engines – ranging from an entry-level 1.4-litre petrol with 98bhp and five-speed gearbox right through to the six-speed 200bhp 1.6 THP and a 163bhp 2.0-litre HDi automatic.

The best among these is the 1.6-litre e-HDi hatchback, with 112bhp and stop and start fitted as standard.

### Segment

Peugeot's micro-hybrid e-HDi stop and start is the latest generation technology (it is also available in the recently launched 508) and combined with Peugeot's class-leading 1.6-litre HDi FAP 112 Euro5 diesel reduces CO2 emissions to 98g/km.

And that gives the 308 the lowest emissions in its segment and something company car drivers are giving great importance to when they choose their cars.

The stop and start system means the car engine automatically switches off at idle and restarts the moment you put it back into gear or release the brake.

You get around 15 per cent reduction in fuel consumption with this as well, which will please most bank balances.

This engine option will also be available



A sporty look to Peugeot's 308 CC model

with either a six-speed manual gearbox or a six-speed electronically-controlled manual gearbox (EGC).

To ensure the New Peugeot 308 is as environmentally efficient as possible all other factors affecting CO2 emissions have been optimised:

- Overall weight reduced by 25kg on average on all models.
- New 16in ultra-low rolling resistance tyres.

- Optimisation of all engine options (VTI, THP petrol and HDi diesel engines to Euro5).

- Drag coefficient of 0.28 for the low-consumption models – a record for this

segment. This also enables the new Peugeot 308 HDi FAP 92 model, fitted with a five-speed manual gearbox, to emit CO2 emissions of only 110g/km.

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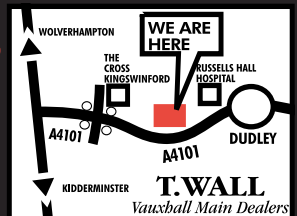
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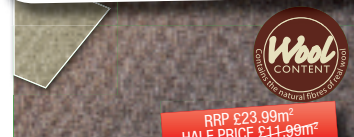
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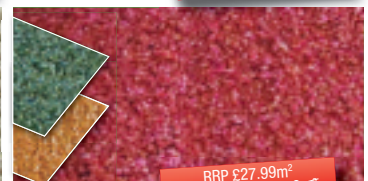
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# sport

## Ton for Jaffer in Himley victory

BIRMINGHAM League Premier leaders Himley romped to victory on Saturday against Smethwick.

The home team included recent Pakistani Test players Mohamed Akram and Azhar Mahmood. But they could not prevent Himley from taking victory by 150 runs.

India's Wasim Jaffer, another with recent Test experience, made 137 in Himley's 270-2.

Ben Smith contributed 59 and Chris Tranter 58. Danny Smith (5-31) and Shafiq Ahmed (4-17) then ran through the home team, dismissing them for 120 as Ahmed took a hat-trick.

All-rounder Dougie Brown made an unbeaten 32 and claimed 4-20 as Barnet Green won by five wickets at Wellington.

The home team were dismissed for 114 and although Barnet Green had a wobble at 41-3, Richard Wilkinson (33) and Brown got them over the line.

Walsall's new overseas player Christiaan Jonker made a stunning 156 in only his second match.

He added 181 for the fourth wicket with Alex Christie (65) as Walsall went from 5-2 to close on 291-6.

Rain hit Knowle & Dorridge's reply and they finished on 168-7, Jonker taking 4-51.

Kidderminster Victoria made 250 with 93 from James Ralph but West Bromwich Dartmouth beat the rain to win by three wickets with eight balls to spare, Jeet Raval hitting 114.

## Rain has the final word

BIRMINGHAM League cricket was all but washed out on Bank Holiday Monday.

Halesowen's game at leaders Whitchurch was the only Division Two match to get under way.

Whitchurch's batting point took them one point clear of Harborne who were rain-affected.

In a 25-over match Whitchurch made 148-4 off 19 overs, before further rain caused an abandonment.

Richard Oliver hit 55, Maz Hasnain 39 and Aqsa Ali was unbeaten on 33 when play was stopped.

Phil Croft (2-31) was best with the ball.

**Stourbridge (5pts) 253-8, Pershore (20pts) 256-4. Pershore won by six wickets**

STOURBRIDGE firsts' winning juggernaut was stopped in its tracks by fifth-placed Pershore.

But Stourbridge remain at the top of the Worcester Cricket League ahead of Bromyard. Put in to bat by Pershore skipper Ciaran Sanders, Stour lost openers Alex Bingham and Steve Game to Tom Pilling and Luke Dalley respectively with just 25 on the board.

Making the most of good conditions for pace bowling Pershore put Stour under further pressure by taking the wicket of Richard Bradley in the 13th over with the score on 38, *writes Harrial Patel.*

Josh Banks was the only Stour bat to look in command but he fell lbw to Lee Wilkes for 40 in the 14th over with the score on 84.

Banks had put on 49 with Andy Alexander to stabilise a crumbling innings. Further consolidation came between James Musk and Alexander who took the initiative back from the bowlers and moved the Stour score on to 165.

Pershore, however, came again with Pilling bowling James Musk for 43 in the 36th over.

As wickets tumbled, Alexander made a masterly 129 not out off just 109 balls – his maiden century. He helped Stour to reach 253-8 off their 50 overs, Tom Pilling taking 4-76.

Any venom in the pitch had disappeared by the time Pershore came to the crease. The openers James Musk and Liam Ridings lbw for 36.

Stour were guilty of several lapses in the field as David White and Lee Wilkes put on 95 for the second wicket.

White was eventually bowled by Mikes Patel for 59 and Alexander had Lee Wilkes lbw for 43.

But hopes of a fifth successive victory were shattered by bold innings from skipper Ciaran Sanders (48 not out) and Ross Mathews (59) who saw Pershore home in the final over.

**Pershore 172, Stourbridge 173-2. Stourbridge won by eight wickets**

Stourbridge seconds took a comfortable victory thanks to bowling performance from James Wood and another big knock from Ryan Willets.

Batting first Pershore made a sound start but once the gates were opened by Shabir Butt having Gary Stevenson caught for 27, Stour's

## Records tumble in bright sunshine

DESPITE early cloud the afternoon produced bright sunshine and bright batting as records tumbled in the Worcester Cricket League.

Although they made 253-8 at Pershore, Division One leaders Stourbridge were unable to continue their hugely impressive start as the improving home side beat them by five wickets with an over to spare.

Now in second are Astwood Bank, for whom former Gloucestershire

wicketkeeper Steve Adshead hit 200 not out from just 118 balls, an innings which included 22 fours and 11 sixes, *writes Chris Marsh.*

It smashed the record for the highest ever individual score in the division, as Astwood piled on a league season-high 344-6 against Worcester, but the visitors still held out for a draw.

Bromyard are just two behind after a remarkable losing draw at

Pedmore, for whom Stuart Bate and Paul Pickering notched centuries in a total of 321-3.

In reply Bromyard, incredibly, fell just two runs short on 319-5 including two centuries of their own, Dinush Fernando and Oliver Bailey.

Worcester Nomads rattled up 300-plus for the second week running but this time were unable to convert the runs to victory points as Droitwich held out at 258-7 thanks to Ian Cot-

terill's 102 not out. The other matches saw Oldswinford thrash Romsley after Lee Nightingale scored 134, while Bewdley narrowly avoided defeat at home to Redditch.

In Division Two Colwall's turn at the top was short-lived after they failed to complete a win over Belbroughton following Nick Panniers' 156 not out.

Monmouth take over thanks to a win over Malvern.

# JUGGERNAUT IS OFF THE RAILS

## Club on lookout for next talents

STOURBRIDGE FC are spreading the net wider in the search for young football talent.

The club's youth team has swept all before them in the past two seasons and the last campaign saw the Glassboys establish junior sides for the first time in their history.

Having used last season to establish the junior sides, Stourbridge are now looking at a serious assault on the Midland Junior Premier League for 2011-12.

With teams already entered in age groups from under-12 to under-18, the club intends to lift silverware during the next 12 months.

Andy Bullingham, general manager and acting youth development manager, said: "This year has been a bedding in process and we have all learned a lot about what is required."

"We will have 10 sides representing us next year and seven of those teams will be competing in the Midland Junior Premier League."

### Capable

"We are very keen to provide a natural progression through the age groups to ultimately provide the right quality of player capable of playing youth team football for us and subsequently moving on to play for our first team."

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## Legal eagles land with six-a-side



Six-a-side players at the charity tournament run by legal firm Higgs & Sons

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Senior partner Ian Shovlin said the event was the most successful that the firm had ever run.

"We would like to thank everyone that took part and who helped us raise money for such a great charity," he said.

To help the teams recover, Higgs laid on a hog roast and served ice-cream from a van which played the theme tune from Match of the Day!

## Frantic action in the B grade gala

A FRANTIC day of competition was held at Wolverhampton Central Baths by Stourbridge Swimming Club for its annual B Grade gala.

The graded event is so-called because exceeding the upper cut-off times earns a speeding ticket!

All event winners received a hand cut lead crystal goblet, with further awards made to eighth place.

In total, 432 awards were made across 36 events.

The idea for the gala is to give the average club swimmer the opportunity for success and maintain enthusiasm for the sport. It's also an ideal place to start for those swimmers who have never contested an open meet.

### Squeeze

At the lunch-time session Bilston were the highest placed visiting club but as the event drew to a close, Worcester just managed to squeeze past.

Matt Rochell, from Worcester Swimming Club, was presented with a cheque by Becki Cole, Stourbridge's ladies club captain.



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